UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

THE BERKSHIRE GAS COMPANY FE DOCKET NO. 92-142-NG

ORDER VACATING BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO IMPORT NATURAL GAS FROM CANADA

DOE/FE ORDER NO. 713-A

On November 13, 1992, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) granted blanket authorization to The Berkshire Natural Gas Company (Berkshire) in DOE/FE Order No. 713 (Order 713)¹/ to import up to 4 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas from Canada over a two-year term beginning on the date of first delivery. Order 713 has never been activated.

On December 9, 2002, Berkshire received two-year blanket authority in DOE/FE Order No. 1835 (Order 1835) Berkshire to import and export up to a total of 1 Bcf of natural gas from and to Canada.² On December 20, 2002, Berkshire filed a letter with DOE requesting that FE vacate Order 713 because it has been replaced by Order 1835.

^{1/ 1} FE ¶ 70,670.

^{2/} DOE/FE Order 1835 is not yet published.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, the authorization to import natural gas granted by Order 713 is hereby vacated.

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